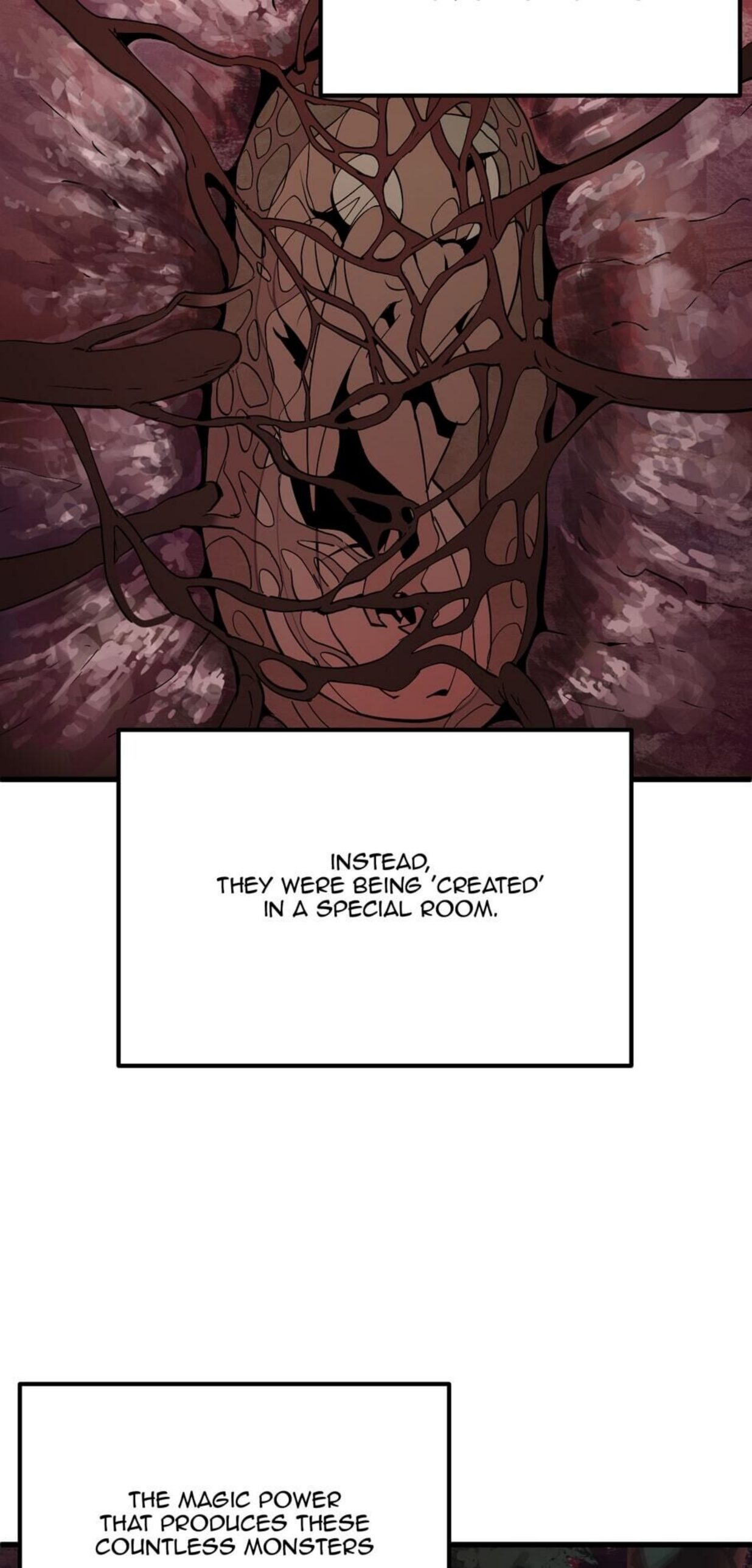
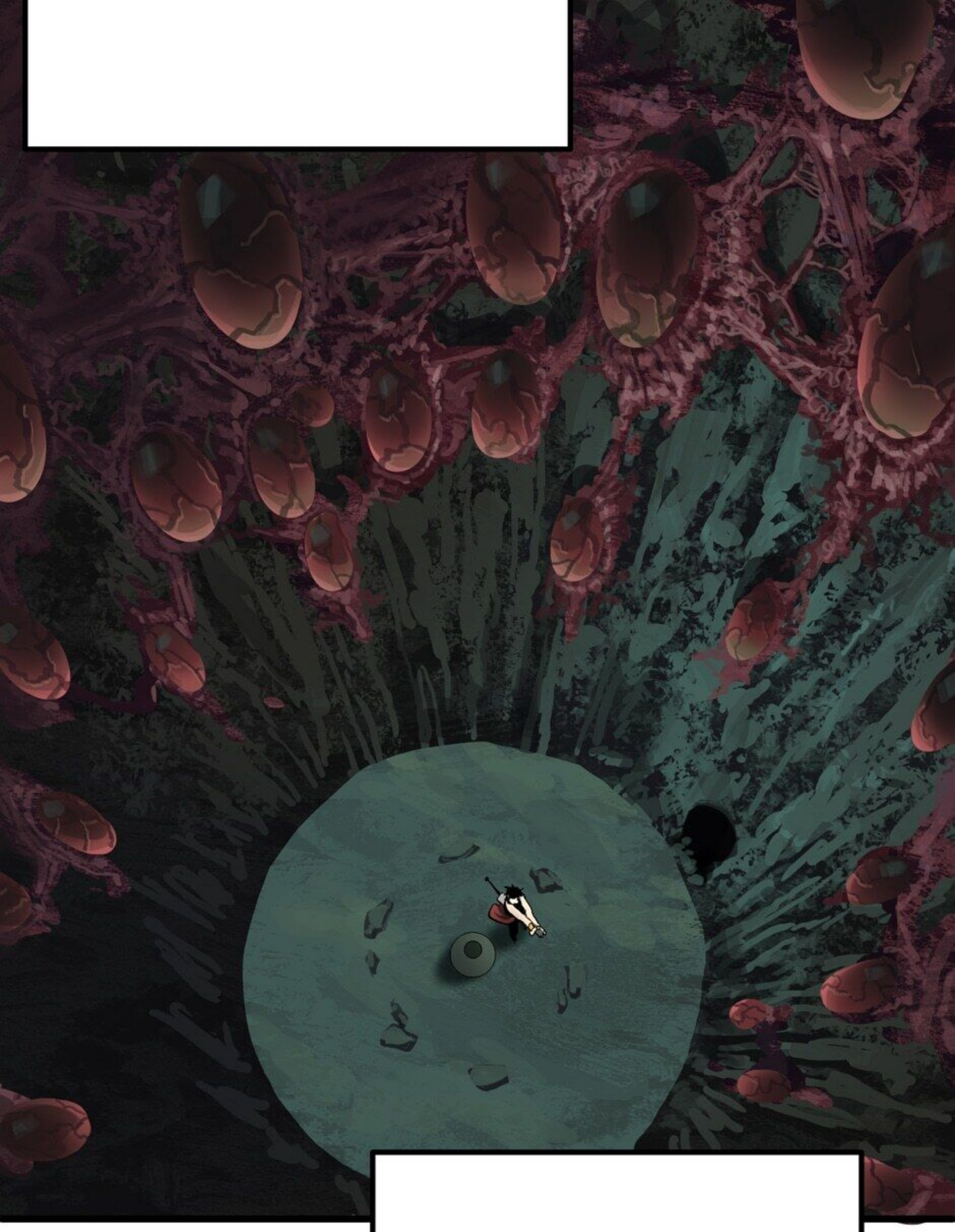
WHY DO MONSTERS ENDLESSLY APPEAR IN THE DUNGEONS?

THE ANSWER WAS DISCOVERED BY THE HUNTERS THAT EXPLORED THE DUNGEONS.

AND SURPRISINGLY, THEY FOUND THAT DUNGEON MONSTERS DO NOT REPRODUCE.


INSTEAD,
THEY WERE BEING 'CREATED'
IN A SPECIAL ROOM.
THE MAGIC POWER
THAT PRODUCES THESE
COUNTLESS MONSTERS



STEMS FROM THE DUNGEON CORE ARTIFACT PLACED IN THE CENTER OF THOSE ROOMS.

HOWEVER, THE MYSTERY OF WHY DUNGEON CORES TAKE ON THE FORM OF AN ITEM STILL CAN NOT BE EXPLAINED.
FII-
III-

THESE ITEMS THAT HOLD IMMENSE MAGICAL POWER... HUNTERS CALL THEM...

BALL!!

'ARTIFACTS.'

...
HUH?
IS IT BROKEN?
WHAT'S WRONG WITH
THIS THING?
Must be
level 31
to use.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT ARTIFACTS HAVE LEVEL REQUIREMENTS, UNLIKE OTHER ORDINARY EQUIPMENT.
BUT IF IT'S SOMEONE WHO WAS ABLE TO REACH THIS POINT IN THE DUNGEON, THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE LEVEL REQUIREMENT.

SO IT'S GARBAGE.

DUNGEON ARTIFACTS ARE A SYMBOL OF HONOR AMONG HUNTERS AND ARE OFTEN TRADED FOR HIGH PRICES IN THE MARKET.

GIMME SOME DAMN EXPERIENCE INSTEAD OF THIS GARBAGE I CAN'T EVEN USE!

SHOULD I SELL IT?

BUT IT WOULD BE WEIRD IF A LEVEL 5 TRIED TO SELL THIS.

WHATEVER I DO, MY LEVEL ENDS UP BEING A PROBLEM.

HOWEVER,
VERY FEW HUNTERS
RETURN ALIVE WITH
AN ARTIFACT!

ACK!

FWOOSH

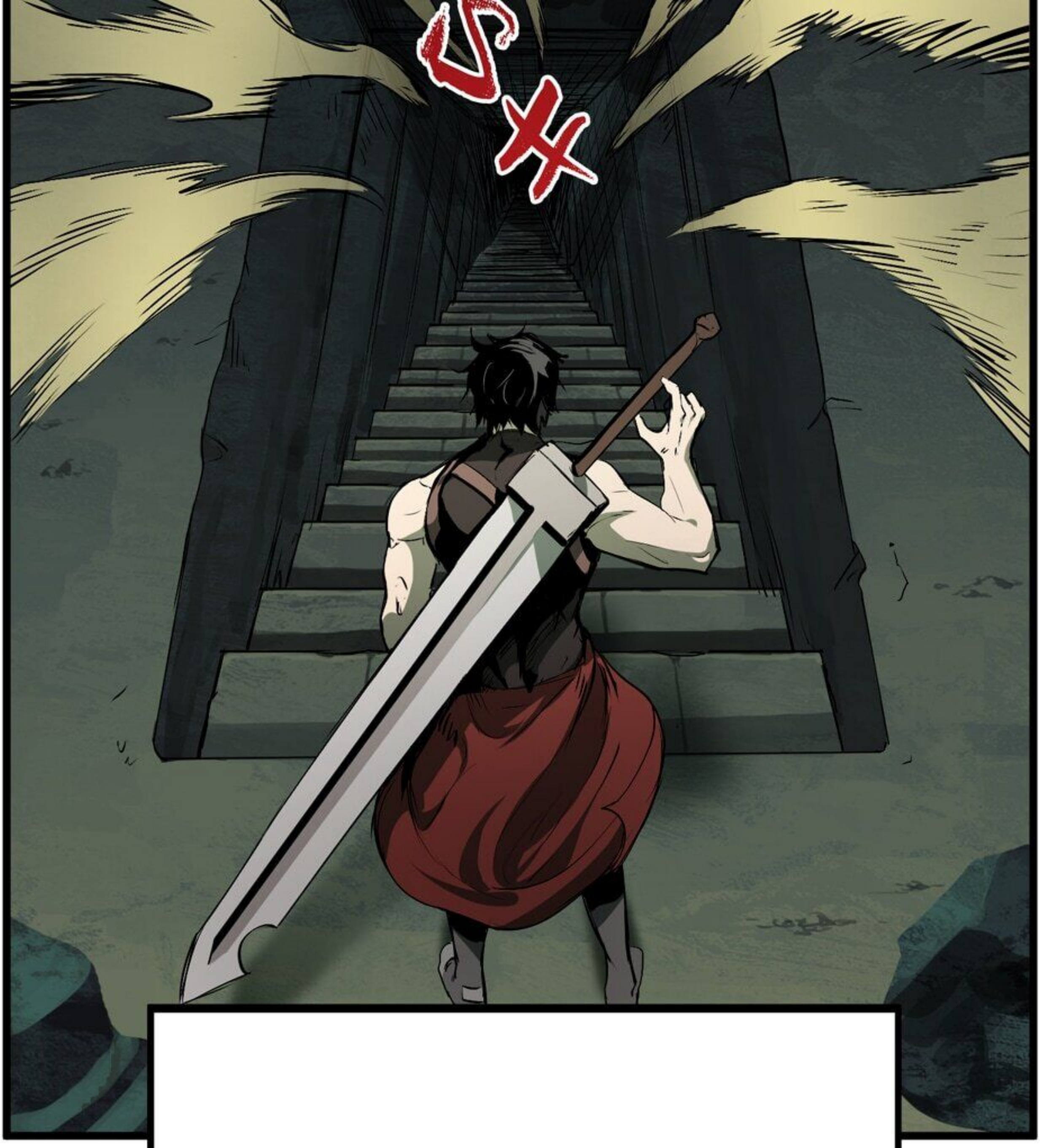
IS THE ROOM... MOVING?

CLANK

DONG
AND THAT IS BECAUSE

THE HARDSHIPS THEY'VE ENDURED MAKES THEM BITTER,
FWHOOSH
AND THEY BECOME ARROGANT AFTER DISCOVERING AN ARTIFACT.

THIS WILL MAKE
THEM BELIEVE THAT



THE HELL IN FRONT OF THEM IS JUST ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY.

NO MATTER
HOW I LOOK AT IT...

THIS MUST LEAD
TO THE BOSS ROOM, RIGHT?

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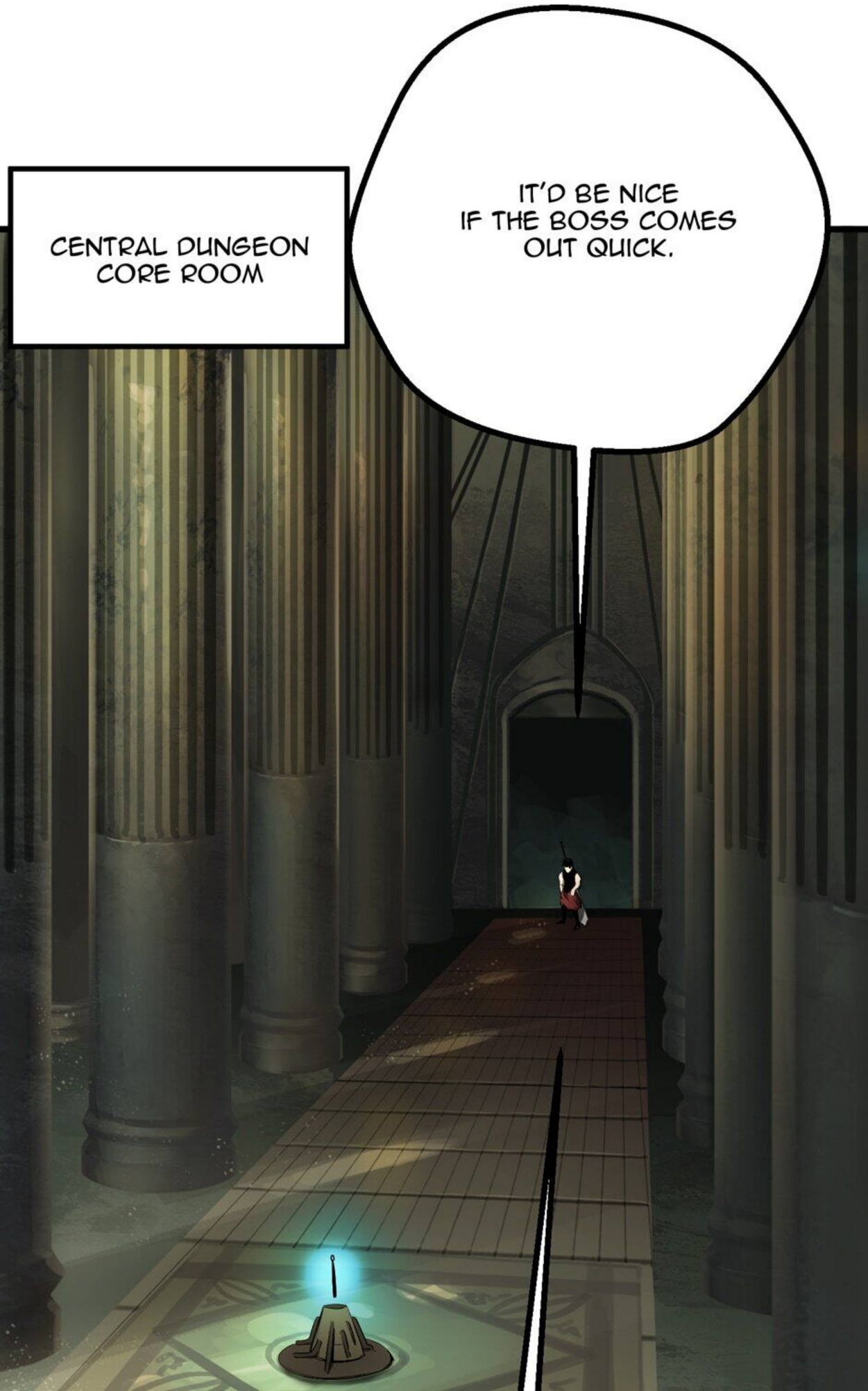
CREEAAAK

FINALLY.
I NEED TO GET BACK BEFORE MR. BUCKMAN WAKES UP, SO...


CENTRAL DUNGEON CORE ROOM
IT'D BE NICE IF THE BOSS COMES OUT QUICK.

THERE'S NOTHING HERE.

DID ALL THE MONSTERS GO ON A TRIP TOGETHER?

THEY LEFT THE ALL IMPORTANT DUNGEON CORE HERE BY ITSELF.

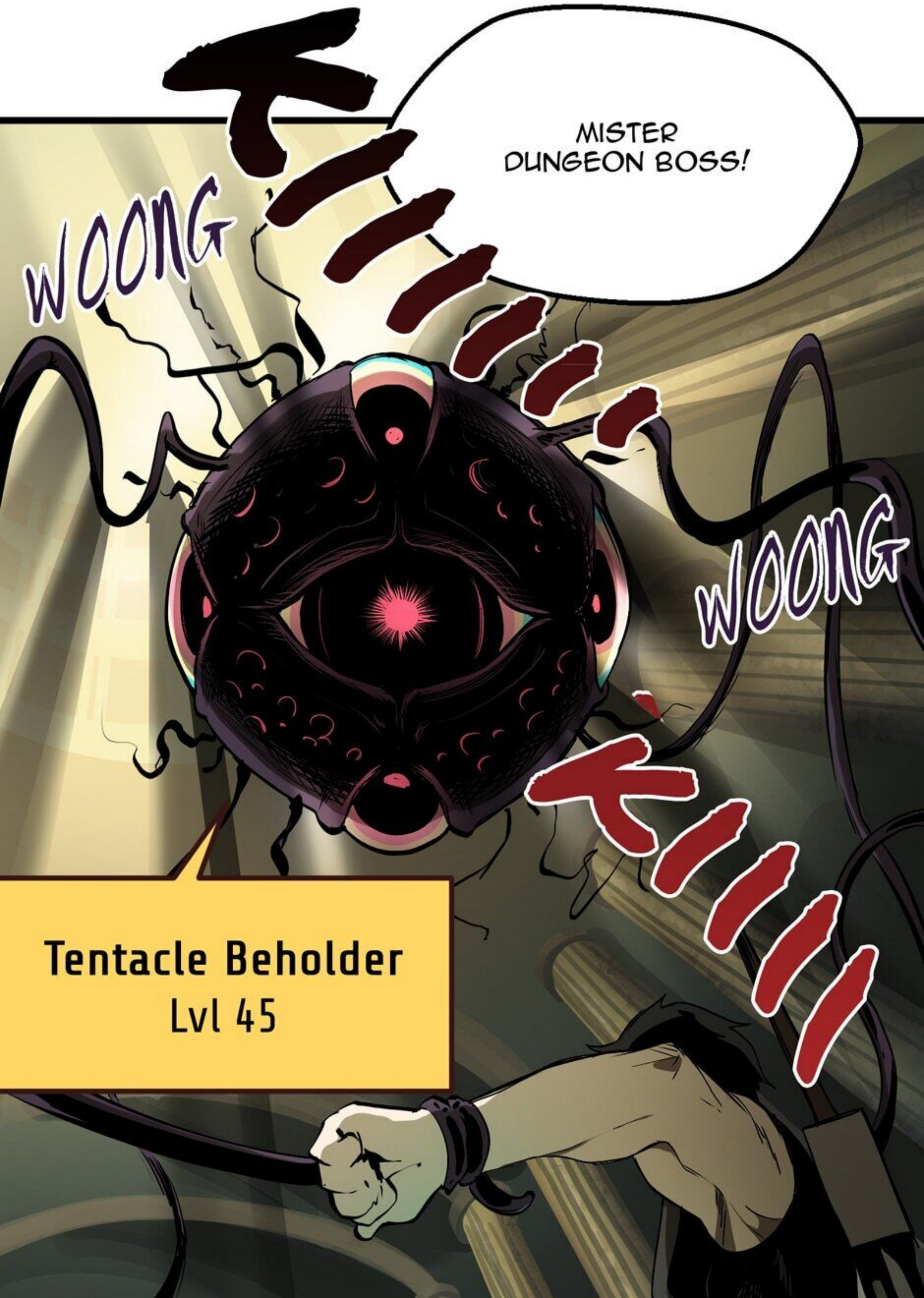
OONG
OONG
HEY, BASTARDS! I'M TAKING THE DUNGEON CORE, IS THAT OKAY?!
ONCE I TAKE THIS OUT, THE WHOLE DUNGEON IS GOING TO DISAPPEAR!

YOU GUYS ARE GOING TO BE HOMELESS!
I'M A BURGLAR!!
SHLIP

FSSHHHK

SHWUP
SHWUP

SHHK
FWICK
FWICK
YOU FINALLY CAME OUT.


MISTER DUNGEON BOSS!
WOONG
WOONG
Tentacle Beholder
Lvl 45

LEVEL 45?
THIS BASTARD **MUST** HAVE EXPERIENCE!

BUT THIS MIGHT NOT BE THE TIME TO BE SO RELAXED.

CLENCH

SHAKE

IT'S TIED UP BOTH MY ARMS AND LEGS.

IF I GET HIT BY THE WRONG ATTACK...
SLASH

I'M FINALLY...

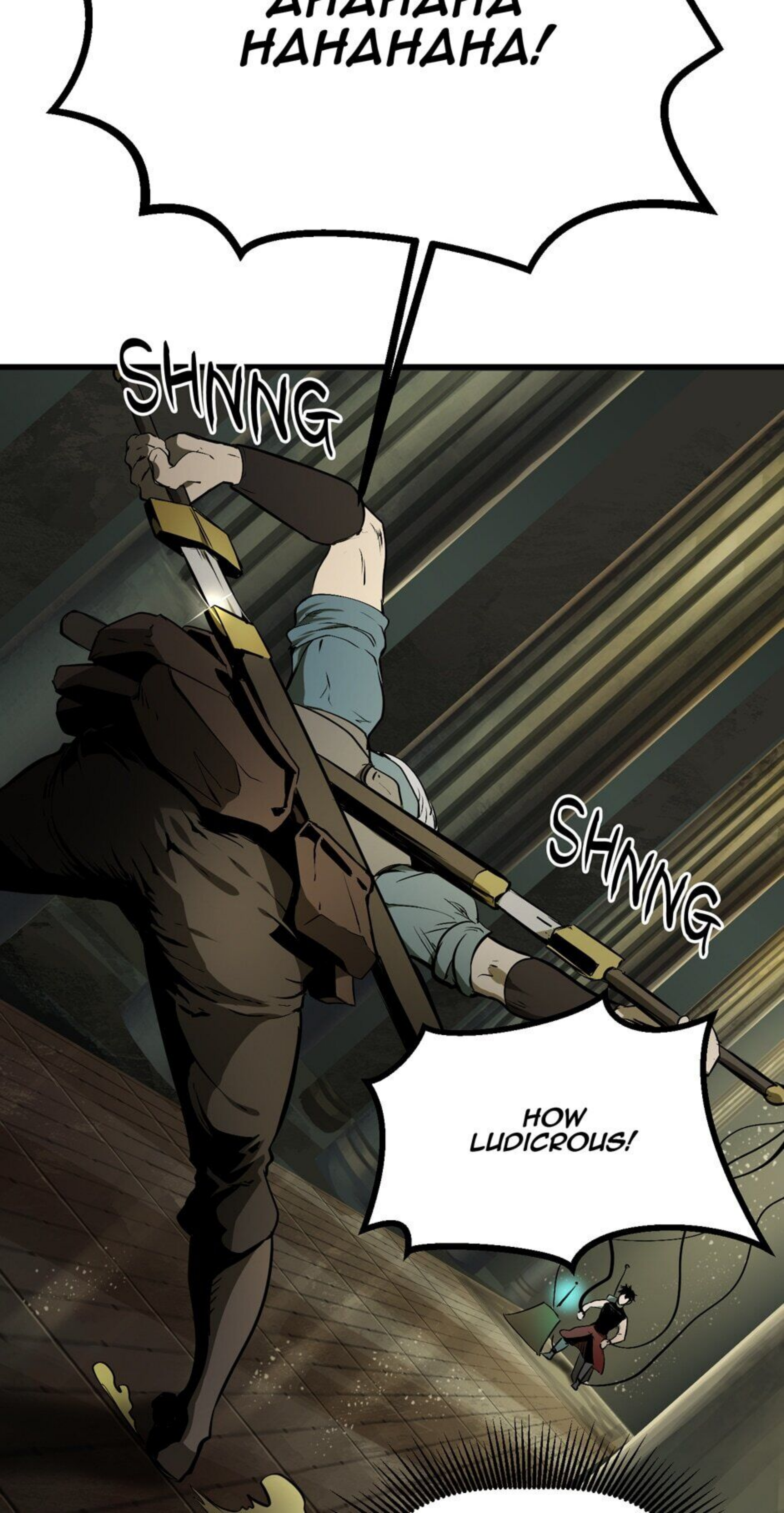
FREE...!

LEVEL 5?

I'VE BEEN CAUGHT!

QUICK, MAKE SOME SORT OF EXCUSE!
TH-THIS IS...
HAH...

HAHAHA...


HAHAHAHA
HAHAHAHA!
SHNNG
SHNNG
HOW LUDICROUS!

WHY'S HE DOING THAT...? SO CREEPY!

DID YOU THINK I WOULDN'T KNOW?

THAT THERE ARE DUNGEON MONSTERS WHO

CAN SHAPESHIFT INTO THEIR OPPONENTS'
WORST FEARS, CAPITALIZING ON THEIR TRAUMA?!

WHAT A TRULY ABOMINABLE FORM!
?
?
BUT IT WILL NOT WORK ON ME!

THERE IS NO WAY THAT LEVEL 5 WOULD EVER BE HERE!

OH...

OH HO HO...

IMPRESSIVE!
YOU WERE ABLE TO SEE THROUGH THIS FORM!

I'M SAFE!

DIIIE!

TATAT

TAT

BECOME FERTILIZER FOR THE DUNGEON!

...

THIS FLOATING MONSTER HAS NO BLIND SPOTS, SO IT CAN THOROUGHLY ATTACK AND DEFEND ITS

TENTACLES CAN COME OUT FROM ANYWHERE ON ITS BODY. THEY ARE EXTREMELY FAST AND POWERFUL.

IT ALWAYS AIMS FOR A HUNTER'S BLIND SPOTS!
SWOOSH
ATAT
0.342

0.372

0.375
GRAB
UMPH!
0.376

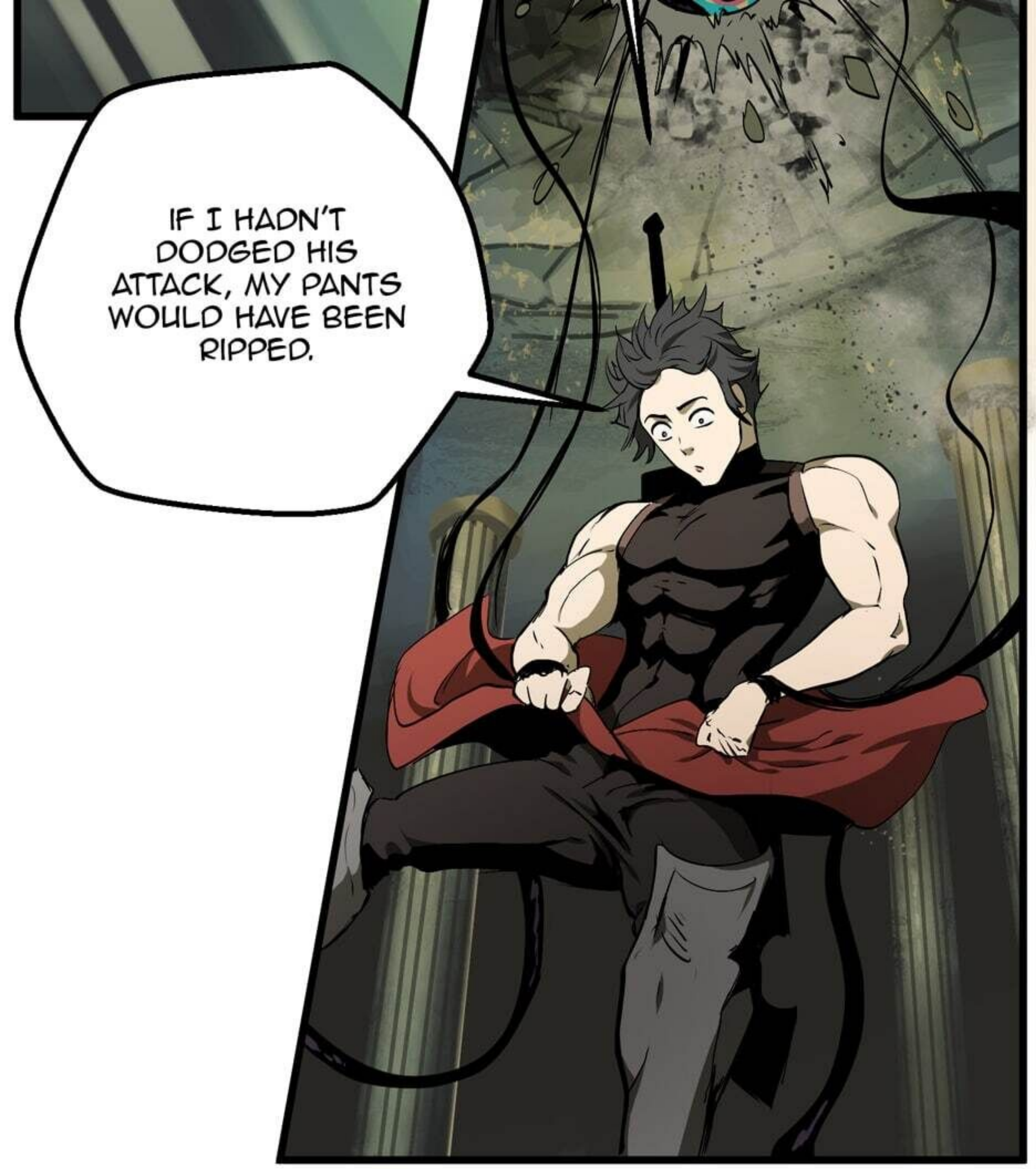
0.378

BAM

PENETRATING BLOW!

KUOOOH

WHEW, THAT WAS CLOSE.


IF I HADN'T DODGED HIS ATTACK, MY PANTS WOULD HAVE BEEN RIPPED.

BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY
ISN'T THE BOSS A LITTLE TOO *WEAK?*

YOU BASTARD!
SLASH
WHOA!!

SH
TAK

ドゴッ

CRASH

YOU ASSHOLE!
SLASH
SLASH
ACK

SLASH
BECAUSE OF YOU!
I LOST EVERYTHING!
TINK
TINK

TINK

HE SHOULD BE THINKING I'M A FAKE. DID HE LOSE HIS SANITY?

KOUUUUH?!

SHLOOMK

MY HONOR WITHIN THE GUILD!

BAM

BAM

BAM

BAM

BAM

BAM

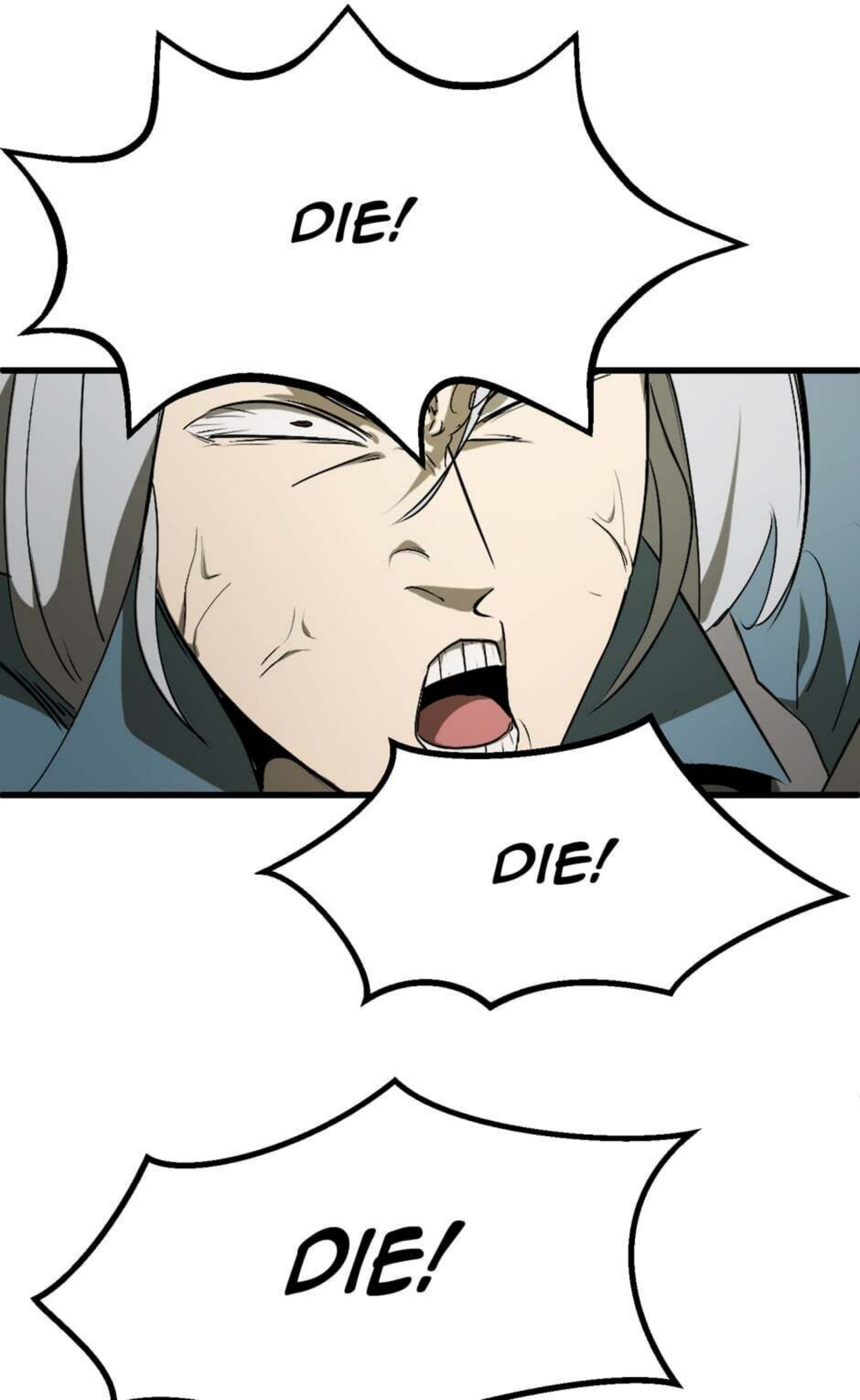
AND MY PARTY!!

EVEN... MY BALLS!

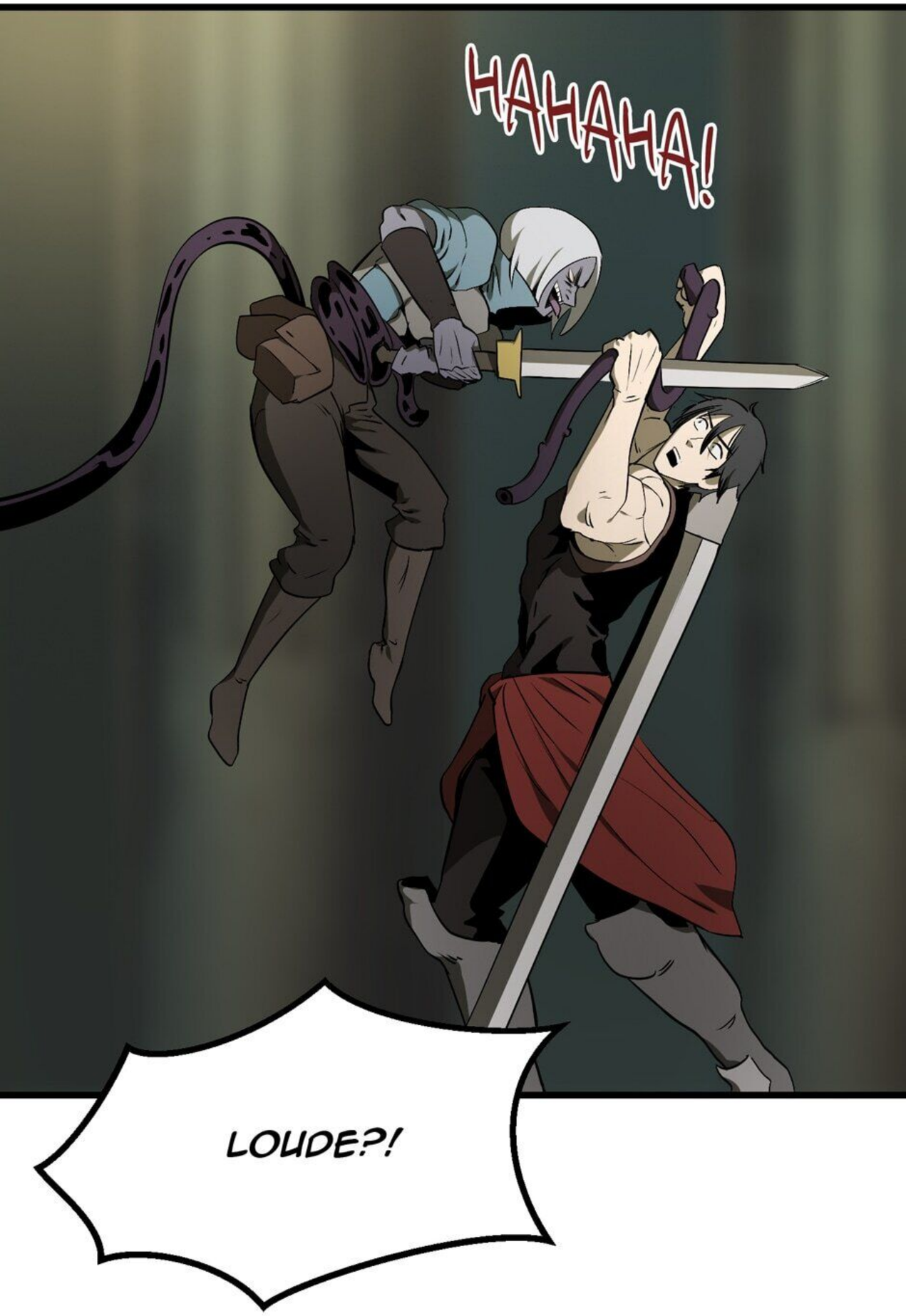
YOU ARE THE DEVIL!

YOU MADE ME LIKE THIS!
AND TO THINK THAT YOU HAD SUCH A RELATIONSHIP WITH ARTIS!

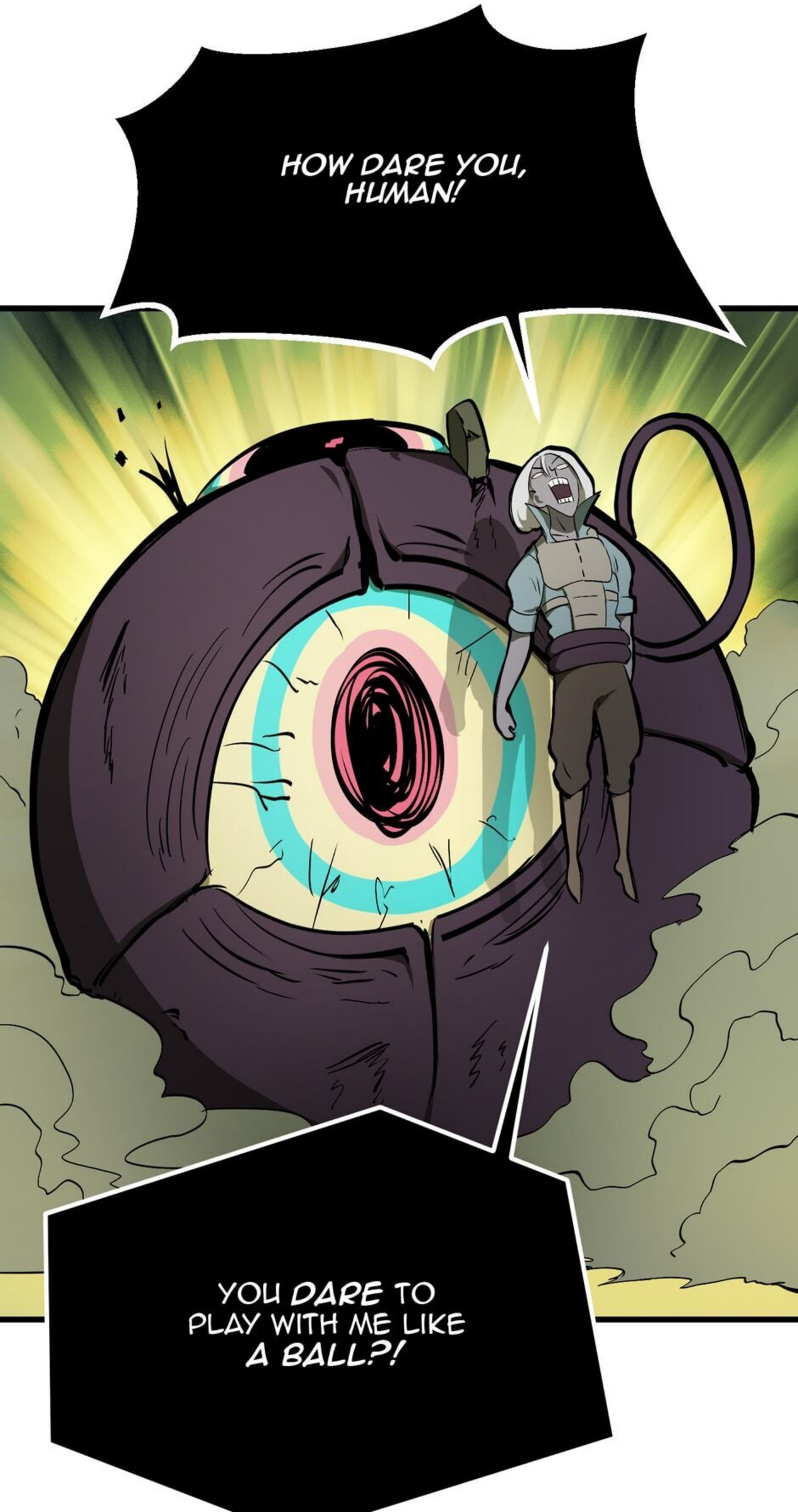
THAT'S NOT TRUE!


DIE!
DIE!
DIE!

DIE!
DIE, YOU HUMAN!!


HAHAHA!
LOUDE?!

WHAT DO YOU EXPECT ME TO DO IF YOU'RE GETTING CONTROLLED BY THE ENEMY LIKE THAT...?


HOW DARE YOU, HUMAN!
YOU DARE TO PLAY WITH ME LIKE A BALL?!

I'VE NOTICED THAT YOU NEVER ATTACK THIS HUMAN. HEHEHE!

HE'S A COMRADE OR A PARTY MEMBER, ISN'T HE?

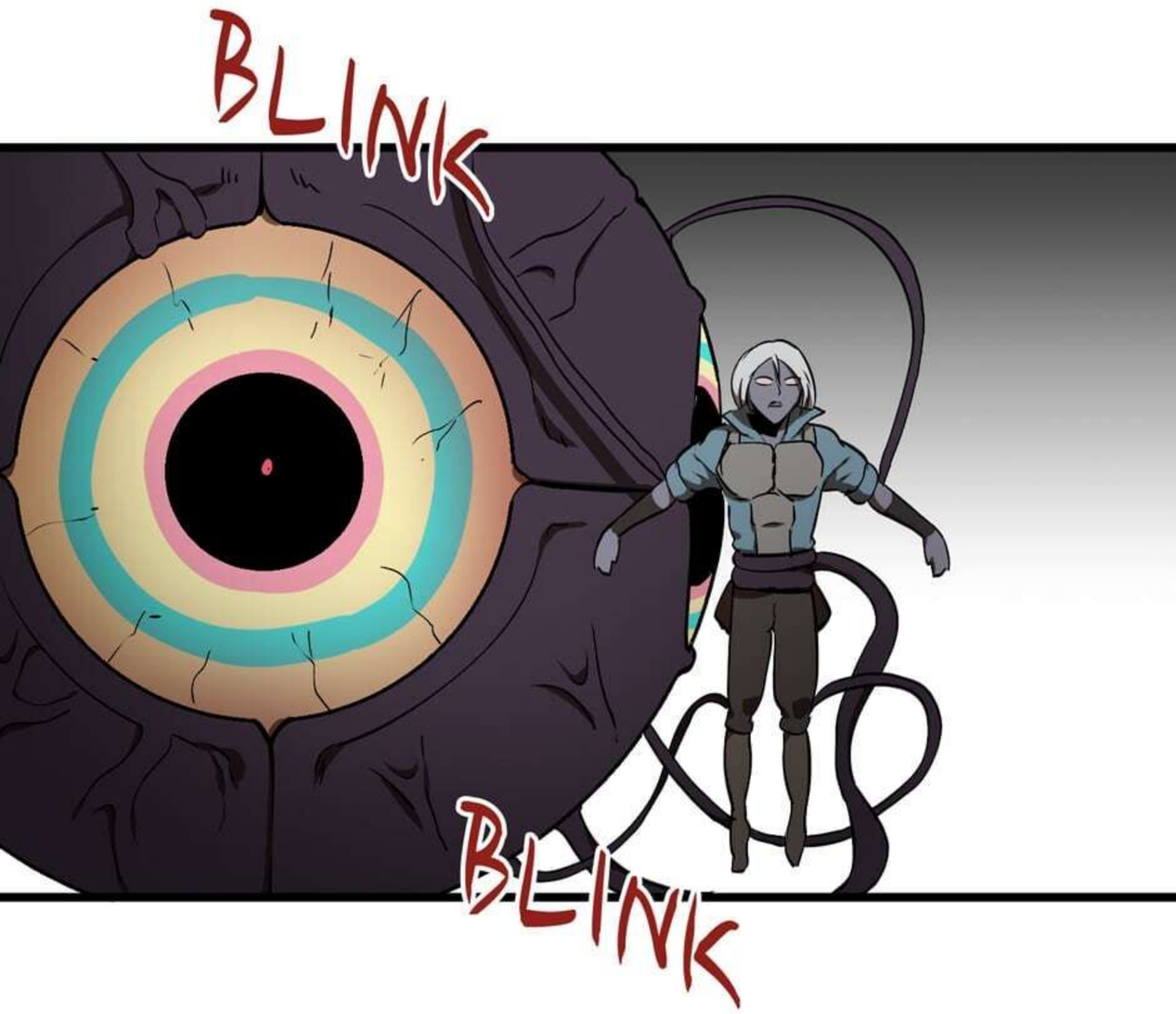
FOR PEOPLE LIKE YOU WHO CHERISH THEIR COLLEAGUES,

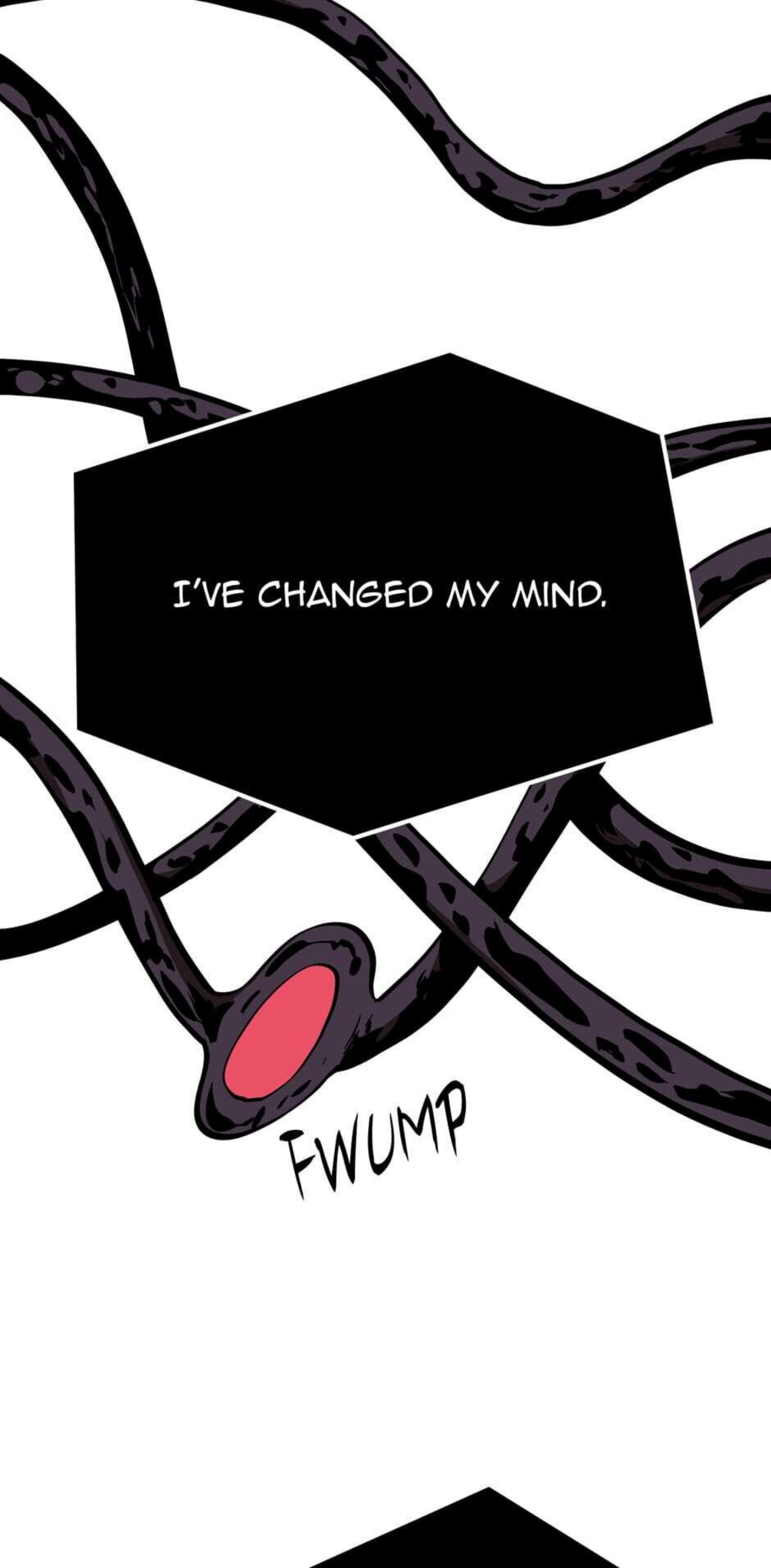
HAVING YOUR LIFE TAKEN BY THE HANDS OF YOUR COMRADE IS THE MOST HORRIBLE-

HEY.

SPIN
FWOOSH
YOU CAN HAVE THAT GUY, SO...

GIVE ME SOME DAMN EXPERIENCE.


BLINK
BLINK


I'VE CHANGED MY MIND.
FWUMP

I WAS GOING TO TURN THIS HUMAN INTO FERTILIZER FOR THE DUNGEON...
GLUG
SHKKKK
BUT INSTEAD, HE'LL BE REMADE AS THIS DUNGEON'S MID LEVEL BOSS.

AND AFTER SLAUGHTERING EVERY HUMAN THAT SETS FOOT IN HERE...
FWIK
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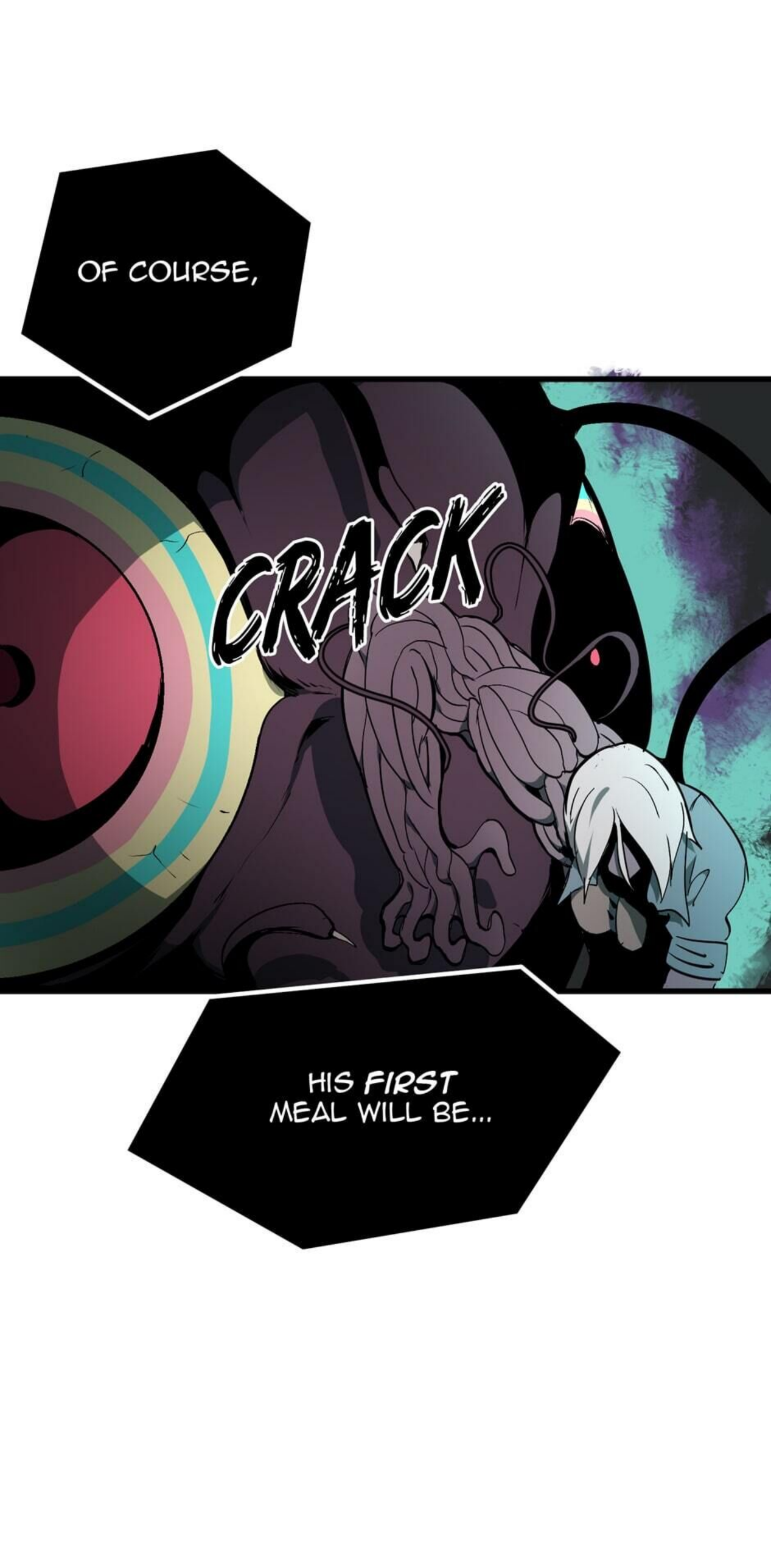
FWIK
I WILL KEEP HIM ALIVE BY FEEDING HIM THEIR CORPSES.


OF COURSE,
CRACK
HIS FIRST MEAL WILL BE...

YOU!!
FWOOSH

FWOOONG

RED DOG

CULTURE HOUSE